

IN THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) An information processing device, comprising:
classifying means for classifying ~~a~~ files recorded on a recording medium according to information on a date of creation ~~of the each one of the classified files;~~
detecting means for detecting ~~a file~~ an externally obtained externally file from among the classified files recorded on ~~said~~ the recording medium; and
display control means for displaying a result of classification by ~~said~~ the classifying means on a display unit;
wherein, when ~~said~~ the detecting means detects the externally obtained file ~~obtained externally, said~~ the classifying means classifies the externally obtained file according to information on a date of obtainment of the externally obtained file.

2. (currently amended) The information processing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein
~~said~~ the display control means divides a predetermined display screen of ~~said~~ the display unit into a plurality of areas, assigns a date to each of the ~~divided said~~ areas, and displays, as ~~a~~ the result of the classification, ~~at least the~~ presence of ~~said~~ a file in ~~said~~ the area ~~to which~~ having a date corresponding to the information on the date of creation of the

file or the information on the date of obtainment of ~~said~~the file ~~classified by said classifying means is assigned.~~

3. (currently amended) The information processing device as claimed in claim 1, wherein

~~said~~the display control means displays the information on the date of creation of the file or the information on the date of obtainment of ~~said~~the file ~~classified by said classifying means as a result of classification on a~~ predetermined display screen of ~~said~~the display unit.

4. (currently amended) The information processing device as claimed in claim 2 or claim 3, further comprising instructing means for giving an instruction to display a list of files classified as a~~the~~ result of the classification on the predetermined display screen of ~~said~~the display unit,

wherein according to the instruction given by ~~said~~the instructing means, ~~said~~the display control means displays the files classified by ~~said~~the classifying means on ~~said~~the display screen such that the file classified according to the information on ~~said~~the date of creation ~~and is distinguished from~~ the file classified according to the information on ~~said~~the date of obtainment ~~are distinguished from each other.~~

5. (currently amended) The information processing device as claimed in claim 2 or claim 3, wherein

~~said~~the display control means scrolls the predetermined display screen of ~~said~~the display unit to display ~~said~~the result of the classification.

6. (currently amended) The information processing device as claimed in claim 5, wherein

~~said~~the display control means changes a speed at which

the predetermined display screen of ~~said~~the display unit is scrolled according to ~~a volume or a~~ quantity of files classified as ~~said~~the result of the classification.

7. (currently amended) The information processing device as claimed in claim 6, wherein

when changing the speed at which the predetermined display screen of ~~said~~the display unit is scrolled, ~~said~~the display control means considers ~~also~~ a scroll amount required to display athe result of the classification to be displayed by scrolling at a predetermined position on ~~said~~the display screen.

8. (currently amended) An image pickup device, comprising:

image pickup means for picking up an image of a subject, and for recording the image of the subject as ~~an~~ a pickup image file on a recording medium;

receiving means for obtaining an external image file, and for recording the external image file on ~~said~~the recording medium;

detecting means for detecting the external image file from among image files recorded on the recording medium;

classifying means for classifying the pickup image file recorded on ~~said~~the recording medium according to information on an image pickup date of the pickup image file, and for classifying the external image file according to information on an obtainment date of the external image file; and

~~detecting means for detecting the external image file obtained by said receiving means among image files recorded on said recording medium; and~~

display control means for displaying a result of classification by ~~said~~the classifying means on a display unit, +

~~wherein when said detecting means detects the externally~~

~~obtained file, said classifying means classifies the file according to information on an obtainment date.~~

9. (currently amended) An information classification processing method, comprising:

~~a classifying step for classifying a file recorded on a recording medium according to information on a date of creation of the file;~~

~~a detecting step for detecting an externally obtained file obtained externally from among files recorded on said the recording medium; and~~

~~a display control step for displaying a result of classification in said the classifying step on a display unit;~~

~~wherein in said the classifying step, including, when the externally obtained file obtained externally is detected in said the detecting step, classifying the externally obtained file is classified according to information on a date of obtainment of the externally obtained file.~~

10. (currently amended) The information classification processing method as claimed in claim 9, wherein

~~in said the displaying control step, includes dividing a predetermined display screen of said the display unit is divided into a plurality of areas, assigning a date is assigned to each of the divided said areas, and displaying, as the result of the classification, at least the presence of said a file in said the area to which having a date corresponding to the information on the date of creation of the file or the information on the date of obtainment of said the file classified by said classifying means is assigned is displayed as a result of classification.~~

11. (currently amended) The information classification processing method as claimed in claim 9, wherein

~~in said the displaying control step, includes displaying~~
the information on the date of creation of the file or the
information on the date of obtainment of ~~said the~~ file ~~classified~~
~~by said classifying means is displayed as a result of~~
classification on a predetermined display screen of ~~said the~~
display unit.

12. (currently amended) The information classification
processing method as claimed in claim 10 or claim 11, further
comprising ~~an instructing step for giving an instruction to~~
display a list of files classified as ~~a the~~ result of the
classification on the predetermined display screen of ~~said the~~
display unit,

wherein ~~in said the displaying control step, includes,~~
according to the instruction ~~received given~~ in ~~said the~~
instructing on giving step, displaying the files classified in
~~said the~~ classifying step ~~are displayed on said the display screen~~
such that the file classified according to the information on
~~said the~~ date of creation is distinguished from ~~and the file~~
classified according to the information on ~~said the~~ date of
obtainment ~~are distinguished from each other.~~

13. (currently amended) The information classification
processing method as claimed in claim 10 or claim 11, wherein
~~in said the displaying control step, includes scrolling~~
the predetermined display screen of ~~said the~~ display unit ~~is~~
~~scrolled~~ to display ~~said the~~ result of the classification.

14. (currently amended) The information classification
processing method as claimed in claim 13, wherein
~~in said the displaying control step, includes changing a~~
speed at which the predetermined display screen of ~~said the~~
display unit is scrolled ~~is changed according to a volume or a~~

quantity of files classified as ~~said~~the result of the classification.

15. (currently amended) The information classification processing method as claimed in claim 14, wherein

~~in said~~the displaying control step, includes, when changing the speed at which the predetermined display screen of ~~said the~~ display unit is scrolled, considering a scroll amount required to display at~~the~~ result of the classification to be displayed by scrolling at a predetermined position on ~~said the~~ display screen ~~is also considered~~.

16. (currently amended) An information classification processing method, comprising:

~~an image pickup step for~~ picking up an image of a subject, and recording the image of the subject as ~~an~~ a pickup image file on a recording medium;

~~a receiving step for~~ obtaining an external image file, and recording the external image file on ~~said the~~ recording medium;

detecting the external image file from among image files recorded on the recording medium;

~~a classifying step for~~ classifying at~~the~~ image pickup file recorded on ~~said the~~ recording medium according to information on a date of creation of the file, and classifying the external image file according to information on an obtainment date of the external image file; and

~~a detecting step for detecting an externally obtained file among files recorded on said recording medium; and~~

~~a display control step for~~ displaying a result of classification in ~~said the~~ classifying step on a display unit.

~~wherein in said classifying step, when the externally obtained file is detected in said detecting step, the file is classified according to information on an obtainment date.~~

17. (new) An information processing device, comprising:

a classifying unit operable to classify files recorded on a recording medium according to information on a date of creation of each one of the classified files;

a detector operable to detect an externally obtained file from among the classified files recorded on the recording medium; and

a display controller operable to display a result of classification by the classifying unit on a display unit;

wherein, when the detector detects the externally obtained file, the classifying unit classifies the externally obtained file according to information on a date of obtainment of the externally obtained file.

18. (new) An image pickup device, comprising:

an image pickup unit operable to pick up an image of a subject, and to record the image of the subject as a pickup image file on a recording medium;

a receiver operable to obtain an external image file, and to record the external image file on the recording medium;

a detector operable to detect the external image file from among image files recorded on the recording medium;

a classifying unit operable to classify the pickup image file recorded on the recording medium according to information on an image pickup date of the pickup image file, and to classify the external image file according to information on an obtainment date of the external image file; and

a display controller operable to display a result of classification by the classifying unit on a display unit.